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So, my dear, when first I met thee, Cupid tripped me and upset me, Wicked little nipper, he, Sank a poisoned tooth in me, Made me hydrophobiac—

Aqua pura brings you back.

These last two are from Martial, a translation, serious, and an adaptation, the reverse.

To Alcimus

(Martial i. 88: Alcime, quem raptum domino crescentibus annis.)

Alcimus, lost to thy master, at the dawn of thy young day,
Now the sod lies light upon you, where you rest beside the way.
Take from me no gift of marble, stone of Paros, builded high,
Idle tribute to thy ashes, doomed to topple by and by,
But the pliant box, the shadows of the close protecting vine,
And the green, green grass above you, still bedewed with tears of mine.
Take, dear lad, this simple record of thy loving master's pain;
With each rising generation Alcimus shall live again.
When the grim relentless spinner shall have spun my final thread,
Even so may I be gathered to my place among the dead.

BILL RUN

(Martial i. 79: Semper agis causas et res agis, Attale semper.)

Bill used to run for office upon the least excuse,
Bill ran the State Department, till Bill ran out of juice.

Then William ran the pacifists, and, running like a rabbit,
He ran himself into the ground and broke that running habit.

THE VALUE OF THE CLASSICS

The now famous symposium at Princeton on the value of the Classics has already received extensive editorial notice in the Classical Journal (November, 1917). The eighteen addresses of varying length actually presented at that meeting, together with 283 written statements from prominent men of a remarkably wide range of callings, and some valuable statistical matter, have been edited by Professor Andrew West and published in book form by the Princeton University Press. For particulars see under "Book Reviews" in the present number of the Journal. The editors of the Journal feel that this is the most valuable work of its kind that has as yet appeared both as an agent of enlightenment to those

who may be prejudiced against the Classics through lack of information as to their many-sided and practical values and as a matter of interest and encouragement to classicists themselves, who are often called upon to formulate a defense of their position.

Since this book appeared we have felt strongly that it ought to be in the hands of every Greek and Latin teacher, and have suggested to the editor and publishers that a special rate be announced for the benefit of the members of our association and those which are affiliated with it in the publication of the *Journal*. We are accordingly authorized to make the following offer: If 25 names are received from our members a rate of 70 cents net will be made; for 100 names, 65 cents net; for 500 names, 60 cents net. All desiring to purchase the book should send their names to the Chicago office of the *Classical Journal* with as much dispatch as possible. These names will be forwarded to the publishers on or before February 1, and the price will be billed to each purchaser according to the foregoing offer.

We understand also that special pains are being taken by the publishers to bring the book to the attention of educators in general, especially of those who influence the curricula of the schools.

OUR MEMBERSHIP LIST

At our last annual meeting (April, 1917) the Association voted to print for the first time the list of members of our Association. The list was accordingly published in the June number of the *Journal*. The list is by states alphabetically arranged, and the names under each state are also alphabetically arranged with the address of each member in addition.

A large number of reprints from this list as printed in the June *Journal* has been ordered, and many of these are still in the hands of our secretary, Professor Louis E. Lord, Oberlin, Ohio. Any members desiring extra copies of this list may obtain them on application to Professor Lord.